

PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes

January 13, 2003

Commissioners Present: Bright, Ferguson, Parks, Peloquin, and Zwart

Commissioners Absent: Sanchez, Smith & Sotelo; excused

Staff Present: Park & Recreation Director Nielsen
Admin. Services Manager Ott
Recreation Supervisor Hurley
Urban Forester Roger
Sr. Admin. Asst. Norwood

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Park and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairperson Parks, with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Commission approved the December 2002 minutes as presented.

Motion: Zwart
Second: Bright
Ayes: All

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

The following matters, presented to the Park and Recreation Commission on the Consent Calendar for consideration, were approved by one motion affirming the actions appropriate to each item. Item 6 was pulled from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion.

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| Item 1 | Street Tree Division Monthly Report
Approved the requests that were submitted at the December 2002 meeting, and accepted the list for consideration at the February meeting. |
| Item 7 | Request for Removal - Blakeslee - 4190 4 th
Denies the request for removal and approved the trimming of the tree within 90 days. |
| Item 8 | Request for Trimming - Pracht - 4742 Granada
Approved the request to have the tree at 4742 Granada trimmed out of cycle within 90 days. |

Reports received for file:

2. Recreation Division Monthly Report
3. Clerical Support Monthly Report
4. Parks Division Report
5. Urban Forester Report

Motion: Peloquin
Second: Bright
Ayes: All

IV. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

9. REQUEST FOR TRIMMING - 2747 LEATHERWOOD CT. - KILLIAN

As this was Ms. Killian's first scheduled appearance before the Commission, a motion was made to continue this matter to the February meeting.

Motion: Bright
Second: Zwart
Ayes: All

10. REQUEST FOR REMOVAL - THOMPSON - 5976 MEADOWBROOK

Mr. Thompson, of 5976 Meadowbrook, appeared before the Commission on his request for removal of a Holly Oak tree due to litter. Following discussion on this matter, the Commission moved to return to the address and inspect the sidewalk problem and continue this matter to a later date.

Motion: Zwart
Second: Bright
Ayes: All

11. REQUEST FOR REMOVAL - HUSSEY - 3883 OVERLAND

As Ms. Hussey was not present for her second scheduled appearance before the Commission, following discussion, a motion was made to deny the request for removal of a Holly Oak tree at her address.

Motion: Bright
Second: Zwart
Ayes: All

12. REQUEST FOR REMOVAL - MATHENY - 4477 MONROE ST.

Following comments from the Urban Forester, the Commission moved to approve the request to allow the property owner to relocate and replace the five palm trees at 4477 Monroe St. at his expense.

Motion: Zwart
Second: Peloquin
Ayes: All

13. REQUEST FOR REMOVAL - PISCATELLO - 3837 RIDGE RD.

As Mr. & Mrs. Piscatello were not present for their second scheduled appearance before the Commission, following discussion, a motion was made to deny the request for the City to top the Eucalyptus trees behind 3837 Ridge Road.

Motion: Bright
Second: Peloquin
Ayes: All

14. PROPOSED PARK LAND EXCHANGE

Director Nielsen presented this item and introduced Chuck Cox who gave a brief presentation on this issue. Following discussion, the Commission moved to recommend to City Council to instruct staff to start the process for public hearings for the proposed land exchange and any development agreement that may be required.

Motion: Zwart
Second: Peloquin
Ayes: All

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

PULLED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**6. TREE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**

Beth Lightfield appeared before the Commission regarding her request for removal of the Shamel Ash at 5916 Glenhurst. Following discussion and input from the Urban Forester, a

motion was made to deny her request and approve the attached list of long-term removal and replacements for December 2002.

Motion: Bright
Second: Zwart
Ayes: All

VI. ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

Brian Silva, a candidate for the Park & Recreation Commission, appeared before the Commission to introduce himself.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETING DATES & COMMISSION REQUESTS

Director Nielsen Myra Linn dedicated went very well and was pleased the Commission Chairperson Parks and Commissioner Sanchez were able to attend.

Noted that the proposed name change of the department was turned down at the Community Services & Youth Committee meeting on Jan. 13, 2003.

Urban Forester Roger Reported on the wind storm damage and noted that for as strong as the winds were, we had relatively few complaints.

Director Nielsen Commissioner Peloquin would not be returning for a second term on the Commission, as her husband accepted a position out of the area and they would be relocating.

Noted that he was observing the Park & Recreation Commission candidate interviews currently being held.

Chairperson Parks Asked that the status of the Washington Park restrooms be placed on the February agenda.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:35 p.m.